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SUBJECT: PCF LEADER MARCHAIS' REMARKS ON FOREIGN PBLICY

SUMMARY. IN AN UNPRECEDENTED MOVE, THE FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY (PCF) INVITED NEARLY 100 FOREIGN JOURNALISTS TO LUNCH AT PCF HEADQUARTERS MAY 14. PCF SECRETARY GENERAL GEORGES MARCHAIS USED THE OCCASION TO CONDEMN SHARPLY VISITING CHINESE DEPUTY PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING FOR HIS DEFENSE HERE OF A UNITED EUROPE. MARCHAIS ALSO COMMENTED ON THE "ANTI-SOVIETISM AND ATLANTICISM" OF THE GOF. END SUMMARY.

1. FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF EXCERPTS FROM MARCHAIS' REMARKS ON THE TENG HSIAO-PING VISIT TO FRANCE: "THE DIRECTORS OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY

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USE A CURIOUS LANGUAGE. THEY HAVE SEVERAL TIMES OPENLY

GIVEN THEIR SUPPORT TO THE REACTIONARY REGIMES OF WESTERN EUROPE -- THAT IS AN ABANDONMENT OF THE FUNDAMENTAL POSITIONS OF MARXIST -LENINISM AND OF PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM. IT IS UNIQUELY FOR REASONS OF ANTI-SOVIETISM THAT CHINESE LEADERS DEFEND THE EUROPE OF THE TRUSTS."

2. "THIS DOES NOT SIGNIFY THAT WE ARE WRITING OFF CHINA. I THINK THAT THE CHINESE PEOPLE WILL ONE DAY FIND THE NECESSARY FORCE TO BRING BACK THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY TO POSITIONS MORE IN CONFORMITY WITH COMMUNISM. HOW IS IT THAT THOSE POLITICAL FIGURES FURTHEST TO THE RIGHT ARE FOUND, BY THE DIRECTORS OF A COMMUNIST PARTY WHICH CLAIMS AS ITS OWN THE STALINISM WHICH THE PCF HAS CONDEMNED, TO HAVE SO MANY VIRTUES? IT IS DIFFICULT FOR FRENCH WORKERS TO UNDERSTAND THE ATTITUDE OF TENG HSIAO-PING AND THE CHINESE COMMUNIST LEADERS."

3. MARCHAIS DEVOTED MUCH OF HIS SPEAKING TIME TO AN ATTACK ON THE ANTI-SOVIETISM OF THE GISCARD GOVERNMENT AND CALLED THE ROOTS OF THIS ANTI-SOVIETISM THE DIRECT RESULT OF "THE ABANDONMENT OF DE GAULLE'S POLICIES."

4. COMMENT. MARCHAIS' REMARKS REFLECT THE EXTENT TO WHICH PCF FOREIGN POLICY USES SELECTIVE GAULLIST RHETORIC TO REFLECT SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY GOALS.
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